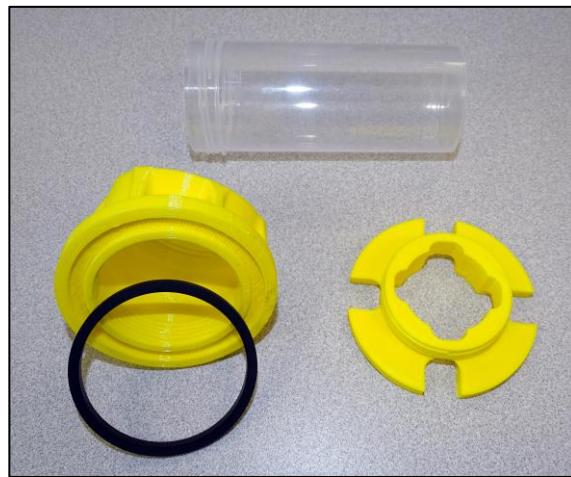


# THIS IS THE DAWNING OF THE AGE OF EMERGENCE!

“Perhaps no major order of insects typifies the saproxylic habit more than beetles.” See overview in Gimmel and Ferro 2018.



**3D Printable Emergence Chamber Attachments**  
(see reverse for more information)

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# EMERGENCE CHAMBERS!

**Make an emergence chamber to collect bugs that emerge from deadwood, decaying fungi, soil, leaf litter, etc.**

## Materials:

- 3D Retaining Nut** (<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:6263974>)
- 3D Tube Holder** (<https://www.thingiverse.com/thing:6263974>)
- O-ring** (McMaster-Carr, 4061T249, Square-Profile Oil-Resistant Buna-N O-Ring, 1/8 Fractional Width, Dash Number 227)
- Collecting Vial** (Sarstedt, Multi-purpose container, 120 ml, (LxØ): 105 x 44 mm, graduated, PP, transparent, Order number: 75.9922.421)
- Sterilite 18 Gallon Tote Box** (recommended)
- Hot Glue** (hot-melt adhesive)
- No-See-Um Mosquito Netting** (polyester)

## Assemblage:

- Cut a 1 ¾ inch hole where the tube will be placed
- Install retaining nut inside chamber, insert O-ring into tube holder, attach tube holder to retaining nut
- Fill with material
- Hot glue mosquito netting over top to seal container (can be removed and reused)
- Add collecting vial with preservative (propylene glycol recommended)

## Further Reading:

### This design is meant to complement the design in:

Ferro, M. L., and C. E. Carlton. 2011. A practical emergence chamber for collecting Coleoptera from rotting wood, with a review of emergence chamber designs to collect saproxylic insects. *The Coleopterists Bulletin* 65: 115–124. <https://www.jstor.org/stable/41314162>

### Overview of Saproxylic Beetles:

Gimmel, M. L., and M. L. Ferro. 2018. Chapter 2: General Overview of Saproxylic Coleoptera [pp. 51–128]. In: Saproxylic Insects (M. D. Ulyshen, editor). Springer Nature. Zoological Monographs I: 1–904. [https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/978-3-319-75937-1\\_2.pdf](https://link.springer.com/content/pdf/10.1007/978-3-319-75937-1_2.pdf)

### Practical emergence chamber examples:

- Ferro, M. L., M. L. Gimmel, K. E. Harms, and C. E. Carlton. 2012. Comparison of Coleoptera emergent from various decay classes of downed coarse woody debris in Great Smoky Mountains National Park, USA. *Insecta Mundi* 0260: 1–80. [5,700+ specimens, 51 families, 305 spp.] <https://digitalcommons.unl.edu/insectamundi/773/>
- Ferro, M. L., M. L. Gimmel, K. E. Harms, and C. E. Carlton. 2009. The beetle community of small oak twigs in Louisiana, with a literature review of Coleoptera from fine woody debris. *The Coleopterists Bulletin* 63: 239–263. [400+ specimens, 16 families, 35 spp.] <https://doi.org/10.1649/1141.1>

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